UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION VII 901 NORTH 5TH STREET KANSAS CITY, KANSAS 66101

In the Matter of:

CAA-07-2003-0014

Parts 'N Cars 1202 South 17th Street Omaha, Nebraska 68108

Docket No. CLEAN AIR ACT

) 42 U.S.C. § 7401 <u>et seg</u>.

ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLIANCE ORDER

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) obtained information that Parts 'N Cars has been performing service, maintenance, retrofits, or repairs on motor vehicle air conditioning systems (MVACS) containing CFC-12 and HFC-134a. Our database shows no record of Parts 'N Cars' registration of certified recovery/recycle equipment for HFC-134a as is required by law.

Pursuant to Section 113(a)(3)(B) of the Clean Air Act (the Act), 42 U.S.C. § 7413(a)(3)(B), as amended, Parts 'N Cars is hereby ordered by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to comply with the requirements of Section 609 of the Act, 42 U.S.C. § 7671h, and the regulations promulgated thereunder, and codified at 40 C.F.R. Part 82, Subpart B, §§ 82.34(a)(1) and (2), and 82.42(a)(1). Specifically, EPA orders Parts 'N Cars to comply with the provisions of 40 C.F.R. Part 82 as outlined below within 30 days of the effective date of this Order.

- 1. Certify, in writing, to the Administrator that Parts 'N Cars has ceased to maintain, service, repair, or dispose of MVACS containing HFC-134a, or
- Certify, in writing, to the Administrator (a) that Parts 'N Cars has acquired, and is properly using, certified recovery or recycling equipment approved for use with MVACS containing HFC-134a, by completing and returning the enclosed form, along with a copy of the invoice for the machine, and (b) that each individual authorized to use the equipment is properly trained and certified.
- 3. Provide copies of either the wallet-size or the wall size certificate for all technicians who maintain, service, repair, or dispose of MVACS at Parts 'N Cars.

Section 113(a)(3)(B) of the Act grants EPA the authority to issue an Order to Comply to any person found in violation of Subchapter VI of the Act and the regulations promulgated pursuant thereto.

Failure to comply with any of the provisions of this Order may result in an enforcement action under § 113 of the Act, 42 U.S.C. § 7413. Under § 113(a) of the Act, the Director is authorized to address such a violation as follows:

a. Issue an administrative penalty order assessing a civil penalty not to exceed \$27,500 per day of violation;

- b. Bring a civil action for permanent or temporary injunction, or to recover a penalty not to exceed \$27,500 per day of violation, or both; or
- c. Request the Attorney General to commence a criminal action pursuant to Section 113(c) of the Act.

Issuance of this Order does not preclude the State of Nebraska or EPA from assessing penalties or taking any other action authorized under the Act. This Order does not affect Parts 'N Cars' obligation to comply with all federal, state and local statutes, regulations and permits.

This Order shall become effective immediately upon receipt unless, within five (5) business days of receipt hereof, Parts 'N Cars requests a conference with EPA. In such event, the effective date of the Order shall be extended until the date of such conference or to a time established by EPA. To request such a conference, contact Henry F. Rompage, Attorney, Office of Regional Counsel, EPA Region VII, 901 North 5th Street, Kansas City, Kansas 66101, telephone (913) 551-7280.

All information and documents submitted by Parts 'N Cars to EPA pursuant to this Order shall be subject to public inspection unless identified as confidential by Parts 'N Cars in accordance with the requirements of 40 C.F.R. Part 2. Information and documents so identified will be disclosed only in accordance with the provisions of 40 C.F.R. Part 2.

Date

William A. Spratlin, Director
Air, RCRA, and Toxics Division